



MEDITATION

Prayer becomes an exercise of highest love when you forget about your own needs and sins, take up the cares and sorrows of other people, and lay them on the heart of God.

- Benjamin Palmer

Have courage for the great sorrows of life and patience for the small ones. And when you have laboriously accomplished your daily task, go to sleep in peace. God is awake.

- Victor Hugo

In sorrow we must go, but not in despair. Behold! We are not bound for ever to the circles of the world, and beyond them is more than memory.

- J. R. R. Tolkien, *The Return of the King*

These readings are provided as a personal, family, or group worship resource. Use them along with your worship guide as resources for readings, prayers and hymns. Set in the Revised Common Lectionary (RCL), a schedule of daily Bible readings in accord with the Church year, these scripture readings are designed around a three-year cycle that will take you through the Old Testament once, the New Testament twice, and the Psalms frequently.

	Psalm	Old Testament	New Testament
Monday, July 14th	Psalm 7	Amos 3:9-4:5	James 2:1-7
Tuesday July 15th	Psalm 7	Amos 4:6-13	1 John 3:11-17
Wednesday the 16th	Psalm 7	Amos 5:1-9	Matthew 25:31-46
Thursday the 17th	Psalm 52	Amos 5:10-17	Hebrews 5:1-6
Friday the 18th	Psalm 52	Amos 5:18-27	Ephesians 3:14-21
Saturday the 19th	Psalm 52	Amos 6:1-14	Luke 8:4-10

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WELCOME

Second City Church is a community that exists to worship the Triune God and to celebrate, in word and deed, the Gospel of Jesus Christ in Harrisburg.

Thank you for joining us in worship today. We hope this guide will help you participate in our service. If you have any questions about our worship, faith, or how you can be a part of our mission to serve God and neighbor in Harrisburg, be sure to talk to our pastor.

For Parents:

Children of all ages are welcome to remain with us as we worship. We like the noise; it helps us remember we are alive. The following services are available for you and your children to get the most out of your time of worship:

Infant & Toddler Care

Infant and toddler care is available on the first floor of the east wing of our building. Ask one of our greeters if you need help locating this room. Nursery staff are well-trained, have required background checks, and maintain a safe environment for your child(ren).

Pentecost Season, sometimes called Trinity Season, the Time of the Church, or Ordinary Time, is the long season that follows Pentecost until the end of the church year and the beginning of Advent. During this season we celebrate the Holy Spirit, the mission of the Church, and the growth that the church experiences guided by the Spirit. The symbols of the season are any Trinity symbol, images of the Apostles or Saints, symbols of the church, or symbols of Christ. The liturgical color for the season is green, symbolizing the new growth of the Church that the Spirit brings.

Please note that our services are live-streamed.



LITURGY OF PREPARATION

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
For he is our God,
**and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.**

Psalm 95:6-7

Gathering Hymn - Oh! Great Is Our God!

Oh! Great is our God! So we should worship greatly!
No song is too loud! No orchestra too stately
To hail the majesty of our King
So lift your voices loud as we sing

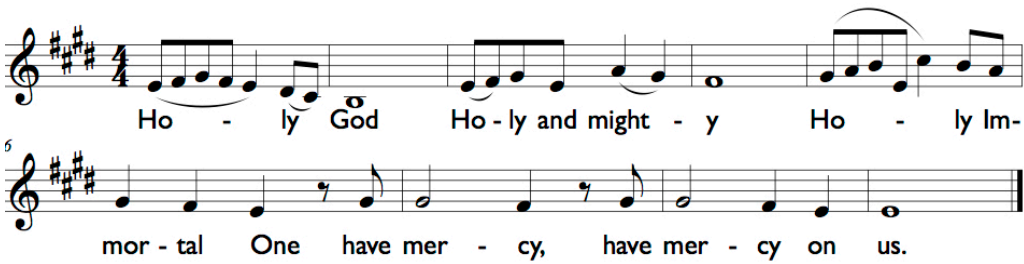
Oh! Great is our God! So let our songs be endless!
So awesome His ways, how could we comprehend them?
So we will make it known to our kids
And we will sing about the gracious gifts You give

We will sing Your praise and pour forth Your fame
We will bless Your name
Let everyone give thanks, because our God is great!

Oh! Great is our God! And we cannot contain it!
We sing from our souls, affected by His greatness
His mercy covers all that He's made
Showing His glory and His grace

We will sing Your praise and pour forth Your fame
We will bless Your name
Let everyone give thanks, because our God is great!
[Repeat]

Confession Hymn - Trisagion



Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

**Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.
We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.
We have offended against your holy laws.
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done,
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done;
and apart from your grace, there is no health in us.
O Lord, have mercy upon us.
Spare all those who confess their faults.
Restore all those who are penitent, according to your promises
declared to all people in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant,
O most merciful Father, for his sake,
that we may now live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.**

Words of Forgiveness & Peace

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:9

Passing of the Peace

[Invitation for congregation to share a sign of peace with one another]

Hymns of Praise and Adoration

O The Deep Deep Love of Jesus

O the deep deep love of Jesus
Vast unmeasured boundless free
Rolling as a mighty ocean
In its fullness over me
Underneath me all around me
Is the current of Thy love
Leading onward leading homeward
To my glorious rest above

O the deep deep love of Jesus
Spread His praise from shore to shore
How He loveth ever loveth
Changeth never nevermore
How He watches o'er His loved ones
Died to call them all His own
How for them He intercedeth
Watches over them from the throne

O the deep deep love of Jesus
Love of every love the best
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing
'Tis a haven sweet of rest
O the deep deep love of Jesus
'Tis a heaven of heavens to me
And it lifts me up to glory
For it lifts me up to Thee

Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul

Dear refuge of my weary soul,
On Thee, when sorrows rise
On Thee, when waves of trouble roll,
My fainting hope relies
To Thee I tell each rising grief,
For Thou alone canst heal
Thy Word can bring a sweet relief,
For every pain I feel

But oh! When gloomy doubts prevail,
I fear to call Thee mine
The springs of comfort seem to fail,
And all my hopes decline
Yet gracious God, where shall I flee?
Thou art my only trust
And still my soul would cleave to Thee
Though prostrate in the dust

Hast Thou not bid me seek Thy face,
And shall I seek in vain?
And can the ear of sovereign grace,
Be deaf when I complain?
No still the ear of sovereign grace,
Attends the mourner's prayer
Oh may I ever find access,
To breathe my sorrows there

Thy mercy seat is open still,
Here let my soul retreat
With humble hope attend Thy will,
And wait beneath Thy feet,
Thy mercy seat is open still,
Here let my soul retreat
With humble hope attend Thy will,
And wait beneath Thy feet



LITURGY OF THE WORD

Living Our Faith

Blessing Our Children

Jesus called the children to him and said,

Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them,

for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.

Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.

July Memory Verse

Restore us, O God; let your face shine, that we may be saved!

Psalm 80:3

Psalm Reading

Psalm 69; page 571

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 53:1-3; page 729

The Word of the Lord:

Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

2 Corinthians 1:3-5; page 1145

The Word of the Lord:

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John:

Glory to you, O Lord!

John 19:28-30; page 1076

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

Pastor Peter Rowan - *Man of Sorrows*

Creed

Let us affirm the faith of the Church:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended to heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.**

- *The Apostles' Creed*

Offering of Prayers of the People

We praise and thank you, O Lord, that you have fed us with your Word.

Grateful for your gifts and mindful of the communion of your saints, we offer to you our prayers for all people.

God of compassion, we remember before you
the poor and the afflicted, the sick and the dying,
prisoners and all who are lonely, the victims of war, injustice, and inhumanity,
and all others who suffer from whatever their sufferings may be called. [Silence]

O Lord of providence holding the destiny of the nations in your hand,
we pray for our country.
Inspire the hearts and minds of our leaders that they, together with all our nation,
may first seek your kingdom and righteousness
so that order, liberty, and peace may dwell with your people. [Silence]

O God the Creator, we pray for all nations and peoples.
Take away the mistrust and lack of understanding that divide your creatures. [Silence]

O Savior God, look upon your church in its struggle upon the earth.
Have mercy on its weakness, bring to an end its unhappy divisions, and scatter its fears.
Look also upon the ministry of your church. Increase its courage, strengthen its faith,
and inspire its witness to all people, even to the ends of the earth. [Silence]

Author of grace and God of love, send your Holy Spirit's blessing to your children here
present. Keep our hearts and thoughts in Jesus Christ, your Son, our only Savior. **Amen.**

Offering of Gifts

Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said,
"I will never leave you nor forsake you."

Hebrews 13:5

Friends and members of Second City Church support the extension of God's Kingdom with gifts of bread, wine, talents and resources. Guests are not expected to contribute. Tithes and offerings may be placed in the boxes on the wall as you leave, or can be made electronically on our website or by the QR code to the right.



Doxology

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.



LITURGY OF THE TABLE

The Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Invitation

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Praise God for His Mighty Acts

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is your living Word from before time and for all ages; by him you created all things, and by him you make all things new. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Holy, holy holy Lord, God of power and might
Heaven and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest

Praise for Christ's Sacrifice

Therefore we proclaim our faith as signed and sealed in this sacrament:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Calling on the Holy Spirit and Lord's Prayer

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray, saying:

Our Father, who art in heaven: hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread

and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Invitation to the Table

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him by faith, with thanksgiving.

Sharing Holy Communion

Closing Prayer

Gracious God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer: Let the cry of those in misery and need come to you, that they may find your mercy present with them in all their afflictions; and give us, we pray, the strength to serve them for the sake of him who suffered for us, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

- Number 6:24-26

Closing Hymn - We Are Not Overcome

Flesh will fail and bones will break
thieves will steal, the earth will shake
Night will fall, the light will fade
The Lord will give and take away

Because of His great Love
We are not overcome
Because of His great Love
We are not overcome

Put no trust in the earth
in the sod you stand upon
Flowers fade into dust
The Lord will make a place for us

Because of His great Love
We are not overcome
Because of His great Love
We are not overcome

Have no fear for your life
Turn your cheek, turn your cheek
Bear the yoke of love and death
The Lord will give all life and breath

Because of His great Love
We are not overcome
Because of His great Love
We are not overcome

Dismissal

Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!



ATTRIBUTIONS

Oh! Great is Our God!

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O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worshipping in Social Hall Until Further Notice

We are worshipping in the Social Hall until the air conditioning in the Sanctuary is fixed. We found the reason the air conditioning is not working in our Sanctuary and we are working on getting it fixed, but it is a problem that cannot be immediately resolved.

Second City Picnic and Canoe Trip Today

Please join us today after church for a Second Sunday Picnic and Annual Canoe Trip! We will have a picnic at Lower Allen Park after the service. The church will provide hot dogs and brats – please bring a side or dessert to share. Following the picnic we will be canoeing down the Yellow Breeches Creek as a group (canoes, paddles, life jackets, and instruction will be provided). All ages are welcome and there is space for friends. Please contact Dave Tanis with any questions and with an approximate number of adults/children that will be paddling (davidjtanis@gmail.com or 717.503.5179).



ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Upcoming Second Sunday Picnics at Negley Park

Here are the dates and locations of the remaining picnics this summer:

8/10: Upper pavilion of Negley Park, located at 418 Cumberland Road in Lemoyne;

9/14: Upper pavilion of Negley Park, located at 418 Cumberland Road in Lemoyne.

Want to Share Your Pictures with Us?

If you have pictures of VBS, recent picnics, or other church activities, feel free to share them with the Communications Team. The team may use them on our website or other online resources to keep our digital presence current. You can send pictures by email to Tim Cope or the church office at tech@secondcitychurch.org or office@secondcitychurch.org. Thanks.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please continue to pray for the following people:

Dottie Roden
Darwin Leshner
Virginia Anderson

Nevin White
Sophia James, USAF
Eleanor Orner
Christine Zubrod Perrin

SOCIAL MEDIA

Please consider liking, following and subscribing to our social media! Also, when you see, read or watch something you like, share it with your friends. It's a helpful way to let others know we are here!

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Instagram



YouTube



Your contact information

If you are our guest and would like to indicate your presence with us, or if you'd like to make us aware of a change in your contact information, fill out this form and place it in the offering plate.

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